

Rev. Louis Guenther was elected prior of the Monastery at Leavenworth, and Rev. Alphons Brandstaetter, prior of the Monastery at Scipio, Kas. Rev. A. J. Smits, formerly prior of Englewood, was appointed director of missions. Through the kindness of benefactors, who contributed \$50 each, for the furnishing of a room, a sufficient number of rooms had been prepared for the members of the chapter. Although the Hospice will not be officially opened for retreats until next spring, persons wishing to spend a few days at the Falls, have been admitted as guests. The Fathers are willing to allow the use of the Hospice for this purpose during the present season, as far as the number of rooms permits.

Mgr. Merry Del Val.

The Papale Ablegate, Mgr. Merry Del Val, who had been sent to Canada by the Holy Father, to examine the school question of Manitoba, before departing for Rome paid a visit to Niagara Falls. The guest of the ladies of Loretto, he spent several days at this beautiful spot. While here, his first visit was to the Carmelite Monastery and the new Hospice of Mount Carmel. He greatly admired the Hospice building, and highly praised its object. Being told that the Holy Father had manifested unusual interest in the undertaking, he promised to give a full description to His Holiness on his return to Rome. Mgr. Merry Del Val is, in many respects, a most remarkable man. Only 34 years of age, he has shown the greatest possible wisdom and discretion in fulfilling his delicate mission. A most distinguished appearance, joined to the possession of all the accomplishments of a modern gentleman, won for him the hearts even of those who would never have been able to appreciate his superior qualities as priest and prelate. In his farewell ad-

dress to the Catholics of Canada he prudently advises a truce, until the Holy Father, after receiving the report of his ablegate, shall have given a decision on the school question.

Carmel in Spain.

In a recent letter from our correspondent in Spain he communicates to us the result of the elections held at the last chapter of the Carmelite Province of Spain. The former provincial, Rev. Anastasius Borrás, through whose zeal the order was restored in Spain, is now prior of the beautiful Monastery of Xerez. Rev. Eliseo Duran, who had joined the order in Rome, at a time when it was still proscribed in Spain, and who has been the most helpful companion to F. Anastasius Borrás in his effort to restore the order, has been elected provincial of Spain. This flourishing province, since the restoration of the order in 1879, has founded eight monasteries and counts more than a hundred professed monks.

PUBLICATIONS.

The *Pittsburg Catholic*, the venerable old veteran of the Catholic press, like the Phoenix of old, seems to regain a new youth every now and then. It has lately put on a most becoming dress, cut to the latest style, making it look more spry and youthful than many of its younger contemporaries.

The July number of the *American Ecclesiastical Review* should be on the desk of every priest, ready for reference. We invite all reverend pastors to read the article on page 98, entitled, "The Essentials Regarding the Brown Scapular." Everything there is plain and comprehensive—but in few words. If that article is carefully noted, we shall be spared a large amount of correspondence. Moreover, devout clients of our Blessed Lady will not be debarred from reaping the full benefit of the favors dispensed through our Order. The reverend editor of the *Ecclesiastical Review* gives information as to obtaining all the desired faculties. To this we add, in order to facilitate matters, that the reverend clergy may write direct to the CARMELITE REVIEW, Falls View, Ontario.